

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A graphical user interface for use in a data processing system for facilitating data entry for cluster analysis, the graphical user interface comprising:

a first graphical user interface area for containing a first list of items to be sorted;

a second graphical user interface area for containing a second list of participants; and

a third graphical user interface area for containing a plurality of third lists of items, the third graphical user interface area comprising a first sorting area for sorting the items in the first list of items, wherein each of the plurality of third lists of items comprises at least one item selected and removed from the first list of items by a participant in the second list of participants, and wherein each participant in the second list of participants has a corresponding plurality of third lists of items, wherein the third graphical user interface area displays the plurality of third lists of items that corresponds to a selected one of the participants in the second list of participants.

2. (Currently Amended) The graphical user interface as recited in claim 1, further comprising:

a fourth graphical user interface area, the fourth graphical interface area comprising a second sorting area for creating a plurality of groups of third lists of items from the plurality of third lists of items and sorting and displaying at least one grouping the plurality of groups of third lists of items at a group level of the corresponding plurality of third lists of items displayed in the third graphical user interface area.

3. (Previously Presented) The graphical interface as recited in claim 1, wherein the corresponding plurality of third lists of items are displayed in an array of graphical user interface areas within the third graphical interface area.

4. (Previously Presented) The graphical user interface as recited in claim 1, wherein the selected one of the plurality of participants is selected by highlighting a participant in the second list in the second graphical user interface area.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Previously Presented) The graphical user interface as recited in claim 1, wherein the third graphical user interface area allows entry, display of, and direct manipulation of the items in the plurality of lists.

7-32. (Cancelled)

33. (New) The graphical user interface as recited in claim 1, wherein selecting and removing at least one item from the first list of items by the participant in the second list of participants is performed by dragging the item from the first list of items to a one of the plurality of third lists.